

TRADITIONAL TRIBAL BURIAL, INC.
Regular Board Meeting
March 5, 2016

Board Members: Wes Andrews, Chairman; Kevin Willis, Vice Chairman; Mary Gasco, Secretary; Nichole Biber, Board Member (phone)

Absent: Lisa Flynn, Treasurer

Guests: Patrick Wemigwase, CDC; Ken Martell; Carol King; Andrew Stich

Call to Order – 9:10 a.m.

Roll Call – Treasurer Biber absent; quorum met.

Motion made by Chairman Andrews and supported by Secretary Gasco to approve the agenda with changes.

YES – 4 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent – 1 (L.Flynn)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Willis and supported by Chairman Andrews to table the approval of the February 2, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes until the next Regular Board meeting.

YES – 4 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent – 1 (L.Flynn)

Treasurer Flynn arrives at 9:10 a.m.

Chairman's Report

- NRCS update, including application, funding
- Executive collaboration for cemetery care
- Professional Development training event – collaboration request
- 2015 Audit update
- Bank Account status

Motion made by Chairman Andrews and supported by Vice Chairman Willis to sign the BDO bid for auditing services for the TTB, Inc. FY2015 dated March 3, 2016 to meet the Board Auditing deadlines pursuant to WOS 2009-018 for the amount of \$3,500.00.

YES – 5 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent – 0

Motion carried.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Willis and supported by Treasurer Flynn to accept the Chairman's Report as presented.

YES – 4 No – 0 Abstained – 1 (W.Andrews) Absent – 0

Motion carried.

Public Comment – open 9:55 a.m.

- Carol King – Questions and issues regarding the location of the Murray Road cemetery; concerns of the cemetery being so close to occupied Tribal Housing structures.

Public comment closed – 10:04 a.m.

Vice Chairman's Report

- LTBB Executive Office – Cross building proposal
- Storage building update
- Next CDC meeting date – March 16th at 5:30 p.m. at the NRD Conference Room
- CDC upcoming tasks
- CDC Vacancy discussion

Board Member Biber leaves the meeting – 10:39 a.m.

Motion made by Chairman Andrews and supported by Vice Chairman Willis to approve Gwen Gasco, TTBI Consultant, to assist in the CDC in organizing, planning, and implementing the fundraising for the raffle of the turquoise Star Quilt at the hourly rate per the 2016 ICA with the Board Consultant, request for payment submitted via invoice.

YES – 3 No – 0 Abstained – 1 (M.Gasco) Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Willis and supported by Chairman Andrews to accept the recommendation to not fill any open positions on the TTBI Cemetery Development Committee at this time.

YES – 3 No – 0 Abstained – 1 (L.Flynn) Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Chairman Andrews and supported by Treasurer Flynn to accept the Vice Chairman's Report as presented.

YES – 3 No – 0 Abstained – 1 (K.Willis) Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

No Treasurer's Report at this time.

Secretary's Report

- Future meeting dates

Motion made by Chairman Andrews and supported by Vice Chairman Willis to accept the Secretary's Report as presented.

YES – 3 No – 0 Abstained – 1 (M.Gasco) Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

Consultant's Report

- 2013/2014 Annual Report update
- Phone Poll Policy and Forms update
- Professional Development collaboration request
- Board computers – Donation request
- Aanjikiing: Changing Worlds book
- MI Burial and Cemetery Act

Motion made by Chairman Andrews and supported by Vice Chairman Willis to approve the donation of 2 Dell desktop computers to two LTBB Kinoomaagejik ANA Project Teacher Trainees with the stipulation of returning the computers to TTBI if they do not successfully complete the LTBB KAP Teacher Training Program.

YES – 4 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Willis and supported by Chairman Willis to approve Treasurer Flynn to purchase online 6 books titled “Aanjikiing: Changing Worlds, An Anishinaabe Traditional Funeral” from Birch Bark Bookstores, including shipping, for distribution to the tribal community members as gifts.

YES – 3 No – 0 Abstained – 1 (L.Flynn) Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Willis and supported by Treasurer Flynn to accept the Consultant’s Report as presented.

YES – 4 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

Old Business

- Meeting dates
- Land and Reservation Committee meeting date – 3/11/16 at 9:00 a.m.

New Business

- Local artist donation of artwork for fundraising
- General Contractor information for storage shed building
- Board Work Session discussion

Motion made by Chairman Andrews and supported by Vice Chairman Willis to table the remainder of the agenda until the next Regular Board Meeting.

YES – 4 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Willis and supported by Secretary Gasco to adjourn the meeting at 2:01 p.m.

YES – 4 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent – 1 (N.Biber)

Motion carried.

Next Regular Meeting has been scheduled for a Conference call on April 8, 2016 at 9 a.m. at the LTBB Health Park.

These meeting minutes were approved at the Board’s regular meeting on 3/14/16.

Mary Gasco
Board Secretary

3/20/16
Date: